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In response to the request to comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures, 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825, that accompanied the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed May 23, 2001 and the Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) mailed November 29, 2001, Applicants submit herewith the required paper copy and computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing. Please amend the specification as follows.